ARKANSAS WEATHER AND CROP PROGRESS



April 11, 2005

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REPORTING FOR WEEK ENDING APRIL 10, 2005 CROP YEAR

RELEASED: April 11, 3PM - There were 4 days suitable for field work. Soil moisture supplies were 0% very short, 4% short, 60% adequate, and 36% surplus.

CROPS: Farmers were able to get into the fields the first of the week, and then the weekend. Wet conditions due to rain has slowed planting of corn and rice. Some wheat producers are concerned the increased rainfall will have an adverse impact on crop conditions. Producers are scouting wheat fields for leaf and stripe rust. Some counties have begun planting early soybeans. Most of the state is preparing ground for planting of all spring crops.

LIVESTOCK: Livestock are reported to be in good condition. Beef producers are working cattle and calves. Some producers are fertilizing pastures and spraying to control weeds in their pastures and hay fields.

Progress %						Condition %				
CROP Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	
CORN										
Planted	57	41	74	60						
Emerged	24	9	36	24						
SOYBEANS										
Planted	3	0	6	2						
SORGHUM										
Planted	8	1	18	15						
COTTON										
Planted	0	0	0	0						
RICE										
Planted	6	1	28	13						
WHEAT					0	9	45	42	4	
Headed	5	1	11	9						
HAY - OTHER					2	4	36	55	3	
HAY - ALFALFA					0	3	34	63	0	
PASTURE & RANGE					1	5	38	46	10	

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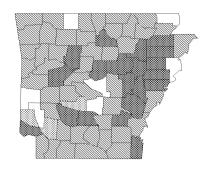
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Dr. Ivory W. Lyles - Director

SOIL MOISTURE SUPPLIES

WEATHER FOR THE WEEK ENDING:

April 11, 2005. Temperatures were above normal. Precipitation in most areas of the state. Hot Springs and Ft. Smith recorded the high temperature of 83°. Calico Rock recorded the low temperature of 30°. Precipitation ranged from a high of 2.57 inches at Fayetteville to 0.56 inches at Pine Bluff.



NO DATA

✓ VERY SHORT
SHORT
ADEQUATE
SURPLUS

TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION WEEK ENDING: April 10, 2005

DISTRICT		MPERATUR		RAINFALL						
AND			DEP	WEEK	CURR		JAN-MAR			
STATION	HIGH	LOW	FROM	ENDING	APR	APR				
			NORM	APR 3	ACCUM.	NORMAL	2005	NORMAL		
1 Fayetteville	77	45	7	2.57	3.25	4.33	7.94	8.72		
Harrison	76	44	6	1.27	1.49	4.09	8.57	9.51		
2 Calico Rock	78	30	6	1.05	1.05	4.36	12.18	10.43		
Gilbert	78	43	4	1.08	1.08	4.05	11.15	9.77		
Greers Ferry	77	48	5	1.98	1.98	5.02	10.15	11.94		
Mountain Home	77	41	7	1.50	1.55	4.13	12.19	10.22		
3 Batesville	80	35	5	1.45	1.45	4.76	11.22	11.10		
Jonesboro	79	47	5	1.68	1.96	4.99	11.28	11.30		
Keiser	80	46	3	1.76	2.41	4.90	12.68	12.34		
Newport	81	45	5	0.82	0.87	5.01	11.66	11.63		
4 Booneville	82	47	3	1.02	1.22	4.32	9.60	10.38		
Clarksville	76	45	6	2.05	2.09	4.48	11.11	10.20		
Dardanelle	79	49	4	0.98	0.98	4.24	10.08	10.94		
Ft. Smith	83	51	6	2.16	2.37	3.91	7.69	8.90		
Mena	81	46	5	1.73	2.26	5.20	10.42	12.13		
Ozark	75	39	3	2.07	2.18	3.63	13.53	10.03		
5 Conway	78	46	5	1.40	1.45	5.00	10.90	11.20		
Hot Springs	83	41	2	1.85	1.91	5.31	12.24	12.94		
Little Rock	80	45	5	1.11	1.16	5.47	11.28	11.82		
N Little Rock	80	45	2	1.11	1.16	5.03	10.90	11.52		
Brinkley	80	50	6	1.30	1.48	5.19	13.02	12.45		
Marianna	77	48	4	1.86	2.47	5.30	11.43	13.62		
Stuttgart	79	51	5	2.34	2.68	5.29	11.52	11.52		
7 Hope	80	43	4	0.77	1.02	4.89	9.22	13.12		
Texarkana	81	50	4	1.21	1.40	3.95	7.78	10.97		
8 Camden	81	42	5	1.15	1.48	4.63	9.78	13.82		
El Dorado	80	49	3	0.84	1.01	4.55	9.28	14.32		
Warren	78	52	5	0.81	1.52	5.13	10.29	15.48		
9 Eudora	82	52	6	1.05	1.73	6.15	10.33	16.72		
Pine Bluff	78	52	4	0.56	0.75	5.14	11.61	13.29		
Rohwer	82	45	5	2.34	2.49	5.07	12.58	14.61		